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When Mr. Lee was asked this evening if the conferences concerned this matter he answered in the language quoted above that the conferences concerned a number of matters. He would say absolutely nothing else for publication, but the entire town knows that the situation is practically as it is described above. Trom the viewpoint of the defense, either course is bad. It is a question of which is the least bad. This article has already pointed out the probable decision that prevails at this moment. To-morrow will show if the conditions have been reversed.

## For the Defense.

But little can be said of the first flay for the defense. On the whole, no session of the court since the trial began was so devoid of strong points of human in-

glint of two of blessed humor that A glint of two of bless/d humor that was a delightful relief from the sombre into that has colored the entire affair showed itself late in the day, but as for as the session as a whole, it could scarcely be called moderately interesting, much less exciting. The only possible feature, and this was scored by the prosecution was a tell-tale letter from Willie Modue to his aunt, who is a sister of the murdered woman. This letter was written sometime ago.

dered woman. This letter was written sometime ago.

The aunt lives in Athens, Ga., and when she read of Willie's sweeping denials, she onclosed the letter tuder a special delivery cover to Ernest Crwford. It reached here Sunday and was introduced as soon as court opened to-day. Regarded by itself, there is nothing so startling in itself, there is no say the least.

"I am fighting one of the greatest battles now," said the boy to his aunt. "I am among all my father's people and they wonder why I took such a step in this case. I have only one thing to live for now, my little sister."

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The defense tried to keep it out, but the court admitted it for the purpose of Impeaching the son, not as eldence against the father.

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The work of the defense itself was directed along two broad lines, the impeachment of Ernest Crawford, and the establishment of the cordiality of the relationship between McCue and his wife. How well it succeeded in either direction, must be gathered from the detailed report of the evidence.

By 4 o'clock in the afternoon the case for the defense had been practically finished, a confirmation of the previous statement in these columns that it is relying chiefly upon what it gained in the course of the prosecution's day, If the question of the appearance of Mcc-

the question of the appearance of One had not required such careful con-sideration, the end would have been reached to-day. As it is, Mr. Lee him-self says he will be through by noon to-

morrow.

Assuming that there will be little or no rebuttal, the argument of instructions will consume the remainder of tomorrow, and possibly all of Wednesday. morrow, and possibly all of Wednesday. The argument will begin Thursday to continue possibly three days. This will bring the case up to Saturday. Beyond this, no one cares to predict. It is impossible to say how long the jury will take to reach a verdict.

The writer of this heard a man say today that if he were McCue and actually stood upon the gallows condemned to die, the most depressing thought that would

the most depressing thought that would come to him would be this: That of all those who looked curiously on, not one believed in him, and would stand up for him before a crowd.

## Without a Friend.

It is the truth, and a remarkable one, McCue, in his cell, is a man without a friend. Murderey or not, he is abso-lutely, utterly, irretrievably blasted. In my entire connection with the case, I have not met one single, solitary individhave not met one single, solitary individ-ual willing to express a belief in the in-nocence of the ex-Mayor. From one end of the State to the other, the case is being discussed as no case was ever dis-cussed before, and it is the same every-where. The unanimity of sentiment is astounding and impressive. It is a com-mentary upon the case that is almost ir-resisting in its force.

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was now, at the beginning of the other, slow to ture out, and slower still to grow animated 1 interested. Besides this, the weir of two long weeks was beginning to have its effect. It is a remarkable case, indeed, that can drag



There is certainly going to be "some thing doing" in this month, but Uncle Sam can afford to keep calm and whittle

Our customers have been whittling away at our stock of overcoats so we've had to get in a new lot of the popular Cravenettes—also a few novel

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day after day and still hold the crowd in its thrall.
When McCue entered a minute before 10

people in the galleries, including several ladies,

pany, took the stand. He stated that on the forenoon of the day after the murder he and two others, all members of the coroner's jury, made an inspection of the roof of the back porch, which led from the open window in Ruby's room. The porch showed no signs of any one's having passed over it.

"Did you observe the condition of the window itself?"

"Yes, There was a flower-pot in the when McCtoe effected a finding below of clock, there were perhaps one hind or one hundred and fifty people on lower floor. The call of the court drew a half dozen others inside, but with session began about one-half the se and illustrated to the jury. When he returned to his seat, he stated further that he had also examined the locust

Various new rumors have sprung up since yesterday, and it looks at this writ-





tree at the end of the porch to try

Examined the Roof.

Still another witness was introduced by he Commonwealth. Mr. John A. Gil-nore, of the Gilmore Furniture Com-any, took the stand. He stated that on

STENOGRAPHERS IN THE McCUE CASE.

J. H. MORRIS, Senior Member, and GORGE L. HART, Junior Member of the Firm of Morris and Hart, Court Stenographers, of Roanoke.

ong as it the prosecution may have another word to say, and a pretty important word, before the defense begins. If the reports are correct, Ernest Crawford and Willie McCue both will figure in this late development. The day will probably show the truth or the untruth of these runners.

cussed before, and it is the same every where. The unanimity of sentiment is astounding and impressive. It is a commentary upon the case that is almost irresistible in its force. In Charlettesville to-day are men who would almost give a span of life to know how the tide will turn at the links, all depends upon the jury, and all are frank to admit that the jury is an unknowing quantity.

The people of Albemarla to the same every discount of the accused at one caused a title, stir. The sergeant was bustled out to hunt him up. The inquiry for the son of the accused referred directly to the mandator in hand. While the boy was being number of the court begin.

The Commonwealth set out in a business-like way, and at once introduced a witness in the control of the court of the court begin.

interest in the case. The discussions were incre subdued, and the early crowd was not one-half of what it had been for the past week.

It was, perhaps, an indication in a new form of what the most casual of observers has been compelled to note. The populace, believing McCue guilty, was vastly more interested in the prosecution than in the defense, and while it had fought for entrance during the one, it was now, at the beginning of the other, slow to ture out, and slower still to grow animated \$\mathbb{A}\$1 interested.

The inspection revealed down it. traces of such an operation.

Following Mr. Gilmer, Mr. C. G. Sin-clair, also one of the coroner's jury, was called to the stand. His testimony vas practically the same as that of the

"I got out on the roof," he said, "and examined the edge near the locust tree, which is about four feet distant. There

noted an exception.
"I thought it was rather cool for a man who had not seen his wife for a week.

## The Defense Begins.

# MR. JUSTICE FINNEMORE

Judge of the Hatal Supreme Court, Sends the Following-Remarkable Testimonial

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ROBERT ISAAC FINNEMORE. (Judge of the Natal Supreme Court). Pietermaritzburg, Natal, Oct. 29, 1901. Bold throughout the world. Cuttum Barbirent, Ob-old throughout the world. Cuttum Barbirent, Ob-old town of the could be said Pilis 26c. per visi of 190, Observation of the Could be said through the Could be house \$51, Peris, 5 Hue de la Paix I Baton, 137. Colum-bus Ars. Politer Bruy & Chem. Cops. Soil Props. 327 Send few "All About the Shin and Section."

the house that night. The talk was and had been frequently entertained by Mr. and Mrs. McCue, who were very "nice" to him.

lowing companies:

This citation is interesting, in view of, the complication that might arise if Methe complication that might arise if MeCue were convicted and sentenced to death. It is declared by many here to be a nice question, whether or not the companies, under such conditions could be held for the payment of the sums mentioned in the policies. Visits Scene Again.

The Defense Begins.

After a brief consultation the Commonwealth rested its case, reserving the right later on to introduce Albert Baldwin again as soon as he got back to the city. The defense then began. Mr. Lee recalled the gray back to the city. The defense then began. Mr. Lee recalled the gray back to the city. The defense then began. Mr. Lee recalled the gray back to the city. The defense then began. Mr. Lee recalled the gray back to the city. The defense then began in the presence of a certain Mrs. Moore. Crawford was then a University student. He was accompanied to the residence by L. G. Waller, also a student.

"It is it hot a fact," asked Mr. Lee, "that in the course of the evening at Mrs. Moore's, the young people began to talk about happy marriages and honeymoons?" If think they did."

"It is not a fact that you said: 'Why, my sister and Sam McCue have been married fourteen years, and their honeymoon is not over yet?"

"It is for a fact," "And you deny making this statement in the presence of Mr. Waller and Miss Wooda?"

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"It is not a fact."

"The name of Mr. Waller

them. No questions were asked and no comment was made. This work accomplished, the court or-dered a recess for dinner.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Defense Taken by Surprise by One of Its Own Witnesses.

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(Staff Correspondence.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA, Oct. 81.—Wilhin an hour the court bell rang ngain, and the session was resumed. The ladies had not left the building during the recess. A considerable crowd of men stood jammed against the doorway and literally fought its way in when the key was turned. Able-bodied young-sleas crowded old men aside, and did not hesitate to jostle their white-haired seniors rudely. It was a wild scramble, in which the strongost was the first in. The first witness of the afternoon was Mr. Weble Raines, a Richmond strong-rapher, who was with young Crawford soveral years ago at the University of Virginia. Mr. Raines is the young man to whom the brother of the dead woman is said to have made the remark about. McCue's "happy" home. He confirmed the statement, and said, young Crawford had on several occasions referred to the happiness of McCue and his family. The witness did not understand Crawford to be speaking simply of the prisoner's prosperity and success in life. As in the case of Mr. Waller, Mr. Lee brought out the declaration that he had had no conversation with the attorneys for the defense, and that nobody had spicken to him about the maiter.

Capitaln Woods questioned the witness closely. He admitted that Crawford had said a good deal about McCue's prosperity, but he was unshakable on the other point.

"He told me Mr. McCue had a happy home; that it he, Ernest Crawford, ever had a home as happy he would be content," said the witness, in effect of the way of the prisoner's prosperity and sold the witness for the defense, or larrisonburg, was called. The young man has a joint office with young Crawford.

"On several occasions," he declarad. "In the or several occasions," he declarad. "An young crawford, has said to me that Mr. McCue was very prosperous, and that every young man engaging in business might pattern after him. I don't think he ever said anything about domestio relations at all."

Taken by Surprise.

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There was a slight pause, and then Mr. Lee announced that he had been taken by surprise, and that he desired to treat the witness as an adverse witness. A few words of explanation will make this situation clearer. Crawford has persistently stated that he honestly believed his brother-in-law was one of the most prosperous and successful business men he had ever met. Whenever, he referred to him on the outside he never mentioned the domestic affairs of the household, but simply commended McCue as a shrewd, capable moneymaker, who had surrounded himself with every luxury. It will be seen, therefore, that what Burke sald was a positive confirmation of what Crawford had said before. Mr. Lee had expected other things, and for this reason he was surprised, and at once began to attack the witness he had himself summoned.

In the course of the cross-examination that followed Mr. Burke fially denied that he had ever said Mr. Crawford and spoken to him of McCue's happy home life, lie admitted that he was surprised at what Crawford had revealed at the coroner's inquest, but said his surprise did not result from anything Crawford had previously said to him about the matter, but simply because his associate had not confided in him. The witness also admitted that he had had a talk with Crawford since he arrived in Charlottesylle, but said his parpoached Crawford himself, shook hands with him and inquired after his health.

"In Crayford asked me what I was doing here, and I told him, He then asked me if he had ever said anything to me about the domestic affairs of the McCue home, I told him he had not."

"Is it not a fact," asked Mr. Lee, "that Mr. Deckert, who was present at the time, said: "Look here, Crawford, you can't mould my testimony; you of he is not the sort of man I take him for?"

Objection Overruled.

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Objections were made to this question, but it was admitted by the court.

"If Mr, Deckert said such a thing I did not hear him," said Mr. Burke. "If he had said such a thing and I had heard it, Mr. Deckert would have had a little private discussion with me."

"Call Mr. Deckert would have had a little private discussion with me."

"Call Mr. Deckert was not present, however, and will not be here until to-morrow. Mr. Lee seemed disappointed.

When the next witness was called a young lady arose from within the bar and walked forward. She was Miss Addle Moore, a school teacher of Rappahannock county, at whose house Crawford is said to have let drop the remark about "honeymoons." Miss Moore recalled the incident distinctly.

"We began to talk about marriages and honeymoons," said the young lady, blushing furlously. "Mr. Crawford said that if he ever got married he wanted to lead a life like that of his sister and her hisband, Mr. McCue. He said they had been married fourteen years, and that their honeymoon was not over yet."

"You' have no doubt about this?" asked Mr. Lee,

"Not the least in the world."

"Ilave you any interest in this case?"

"Not here?"

"No, sin."

"Had, you ever seen me before we had

"No, sir."
"Had you ever seen me before we had
a talk an hour ago?"
"No, sir."
"You did have a talk with Mr. Lee an
hour ago?" asked Captain Woods.
"Yes, sir."

Her Memory Tested.

The cross-examination of Miss Moore was designed to test her memory that recalled a conversation of three-years' trading Cantain Woods wanted to standing. Captain Woods wanted to know if the young lady recalled what dverybody else had said that night about marriages and honeymoons. "Well, what did Mr. Waller have to

# TORMENTING

Columbus, Ohio, May 20, 1903.

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R. H. Chapman. Seen a more congenial couple.

Cordial Relations.

Mrs. E. O. McCue took the stand and said she was intimate with the wife of the accused and had made frequent visits to the house and been on frequent drives with her. The utmost cordiality existed between the accused and his wife.

"But during the past year, you had not visited your sister-in-law so much, had you, Mrs. McCue," asked Captain Woods.

"On the contrary, I had been there very frequently, indeed," she said.

"I stayed in the house and took care of the children when Mr. and Mrs. McCue were in Atlantic City together. I was in the house a week before the murder."

In the interim between the departure of one withess and the arrival of another, the defense availed itself of the presence of Captain Grady, the heavyweight patrollein. Grady said he had seen Mr. and Mrs. McCue frequently on the streets and in tubile places. Their conduct, he said, could not have been more exemplary. The witness recited a few incidents tending to show the thoughtfulness of the locused, where his we was aconcerned. Grady said he had been at the McCue house at all hours of the night on bustness, when the prisoner was Mayor and police justice, but had never seen anything of the reported disorders.

"No Fusses in Public.

"And you say," asked Captain Ker, dryly," that Mr. and Mrs. McCue never 1355 Mt, Vernon Ave.

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Cordial Relations.

"And you say," asked Captain Ker, dryly, "that Mr. and Mrs. McCue never had a fuss in the streets of Charlottes-ville, or at the theatre?"
"No. sir," sald Grady.
"And when you went to Mr. McCue's

say about marriages?" asked Captain house on business, he and his wife didn't begin a fuss?"
"He said he thought it was all right."
"No. sir." Woods.
"He said he thought it was all right,"
declared Miss Moore, with a laugh and He said he thought it was all right, declared Miss Moore, with a laugh and a blush. afterwards she left the stand. Shortly afterwards she left the stand. Throughout the examination she continued positive of what young Crawford had said. She declared that the young man had frequently referred to McCue's "happy home.

The testimon now veered off in another direction. Witness after witness came forward to tell what they had observed of the relations existing between the accused and h's dead wife.

A negro, named Frank Minor, had been brought all the way from West Virgina to add his voice to the chorus. For nine years and a half, Frank had been builer and man about the house at McCue's. "They got along just as nice as married people could do," he said. "I never heard a quarrel or a fuse, They were a very lovin' couple. Three years ago, Mrs. Martia Hough, of Staunton, had spent about five days in the McCue house. She was a dolegate to the D. A. R. convention in Charlottesville. To-day she said that so far as she observed, the relations between Mr. and Mrs. McCue were of a very cordial character. Miss Lucy Taylor a seamstross, who, at odd times during the past eight years, has worked in the McCue house, said she had never seen a more congenial couple.

Cordial Relations. "Stand aside."
There were two other witnesses in this

connection. Mrs. M. H. Crawford, of Staunton, whose husband was a relative of Mrs. McCue's, said she had known the couple for many years. "I never saw a more joving husband or a more devoted more loving husband or a more devoted wife."

She declared: "And this is the truth," She added as in afterthousat: The other was Mr. Browning. It was at his fother was Mr. Browning. It was at his home, about nine miles down the itlynning River, where the younger McCue children were staying when the murder occurred." She said Mr. and Mrs. McCue were at his home together a week before the homleide. They had been there irrequently, and he had often visited at the house of McCue. He said the relations between the two appeared to be very friendly and affectionate.

The Telephone Message.

The Telephone Message. Charming little Willie Irving, who claims fourteen years, a red sweater and a pretty, piquant face, told what she

(Continued on Fifth Pagt.)

## DONT NEGLECT

that cold. It should have attenthat cold. It should have already tion at once. If let alone, catarris, pneumonia, bronchitis and other dis-eases might develop and the heroic treatment then necessary might undermine the whole system.

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who read it aloud to the court. Here is what the letter said:
"Charlottesville, Va., Sept. 17, 1904.
"Dear Aunt Saille;
"I received your kind and affectionate." letter a few minutes ago, and will answer now, as I am afraid I will forletter a few minutes ago, and will arsewer now, as I am afraid I will forget it.

"We are now at home with Aunt Sammle (Mrs. Marshall Dinwiddle) and Uncle Marshall Dinwiddle, who are very kind and good to us; but I came home and miss my dear mother, whom I put before my God, and who I miss many times in the day.

"Aunt Salle, I am fighting one of the greatest battles now. I am among all my father's people, and they, of course, wonder why I took such a step in this case. But I am going to do what I think is right in God's call, in spite of any human being living.

"I never will be in worse trouble than this. I cannot sleep, and whom I go to bed and wake up with the same trouble, I feel as though I cannot stand It. I have got only one thing to live for now—my little sister—who is dearer to me than ever before. • • • "Your affectionate nephew.

"J. WILLIAM M'CUE."

The witness stated that he had written the note, and shortly afterwards left the stand. The letter reached Charlottesville yesterday morning by special delivery. It was addressed to Ernest Crawford, Mrs. Griggs is a sister of Crawford, and, therefore, of the murdered woman.

Examined the Roof.

Has Penetrated.

mony to the beneficial effects of your Cutlcura Remedies. I have suffered for some time from an excess of urlo and in the blood; and since the middle of last year, from a severe attack of several months under professional treatments, but the remedles prescribed becoming worse, my face was dreadfully disfigured and I lost nearly all my fully disfigured and I lost nearly all my hair. At last, my wife prevailed upon ma to try the Cuticura Remedies and I gave them a thorough trial with the most satisfactory results. The disease soon began to disappear and my hair commenced to grow again. A fresh growth of hair is covering my head, and my limb (although not yet quite cured) is gradually improving. My wife thinks so highly of your remedies that

light and rambling, and occurred four or five years ago. Crawford was not heard the remark. His attention had been recalled to the incident by reading in the recently said about the McCues. Mr. Waller said that while he was at the University he knew Crawford quite well,

## Insurance on Life.

At this point the defense introduced the At this point the derease introduced the insurance policies to which reference was made several days ago. They showed that McCue carried a total of about \$83,000 upon his life, and that his wife was made in nearly every case the beneficiary. The policies were held by the following companies:

lowing companies:
Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance
Company, of Milwaukee, Wis., \$15.000,
payable to the McCue estate, policy dated
March 15, 1904.
Equitable Life Assurance Society of
United States, policy dated March 2, 1905,
for \$10,000; payable in event of his death
after the tontine period to wife of McCue